Pastoral Team

Rev. Fr. Terry Sawchuk – Pastor pastor@corpuschristi-tbay.ca

Rev. Mr. Dennis McDermott – Permanent Deacon

Mary Jo McDermott – Adult Faith Liaison

Parish Staff

Laura Jean -Administrative Assistant /Bookkeeper

Donald Rogers – Custodian

Emily Jean - Housekeeper

Mass & Devotions Schedule & Weekday Masses

Saturday – 5:00 pm Sunday – 10:00 am and 7:00 pm Tuesday to Friday – 12:15 pm

Praying the Rosary/Adoration

Tuesday – Friday 11:30 am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:45 am – Holy Rosary

First Friday Devotions

Adoration & Benediction - 11:30 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm Sunday 6:00pm - 6:45 pm Or by appointment - call Parish Office

Parish Office

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Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Emails

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Website

http://corpuschristi-tbay.ca

Corpus Christi Parish Community

November 30, 2025

First Sunday of Advent

"How to Advent" Miniseries



Advent sometimes just feels like that time that is sandwiched between Thanksgiving and Christmas — life is hectic with shopping, parties, and so much more. In "How to Advent", we will discover how to enter into this joyful season with purpose and

intention while gaining practical tips and spiritual reflection on the practices of the Advent calendar, Advent wreath, Jesse tree, and nativity scene. Join us in the Corpus Christi Church - St. Joseph Meeting Room for two casual evenings of learning, conversation, hot chocolate and cookies. 7 pm on Friday, November 28, and 7 pm on Friday, December 5.

Advent Penitential Service

Tuesday, December 16th at 7:00 pm

Priests will be available for private reconciliation

Please note: Father Terry will be celebrating Mass on **Monday, December 8**th at 12:15 pm – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

All are welcome



A Call for Talent!

We are joyfully preparing for our 3rd Annual Parish Christmas Concert, and we invite all members of our congregation, young and old, to share their gifts! If you sing,

play an instrument, act, dance, or have another talent that would help us celebrate the birth of Christ, we would love to include you in this special evening.

The concert will take place on Sunday, December 28, 2025, at 2:00 pm.

If you feel called to participate or would like more information, please contact Gerard Normand 807-709-3355.

Let us come together in faith, joy, and creativity as we celebrate Christmas.

Council Chairs

Pastoral Council: Joe Czaczkowski Finance Council: Doug Corbett Liturgy Committee: Elizabeth Bortolussi

Ministry Coordinators

Ellen Lafroy Altar Servers: Elizabeth Bortolussi **Eucharistic Ministry:** Keith Moore Hospitality: Elizabeth Bortolussi Lectors: Cathy Corbett Children's Liturgy: Mary Jo McDermott Christ Life: Men for Spiritual Fitness: **Deacon Dennis** Joy Buset **Healing Ministry:** Chris Torma **Baptism Preparation:** Deacon Dennis Marriage Preparation: Dyan Kuluski **Environment:**

Baptisms

Baptisms are generally scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.

To plan for your child's baptism, please contact the office for more information on baptismal preparation and choosing a date and time for the Baptism.

Ultreya – Will be held on the <u>4th Wednesday</u> of each month at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall. Prayer, fellowship & faith. All are welcome!

ATTENTION Men

Here's a chance to strengthen your spiritual muscles. All men are welcome to join us for Bible Study, prayer and sharing faith on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 10:30 am at St. Anthony's Church. If you have questions text Deacon Dennis at 807-633-2720.

Children's Liturgy - For children in JK to Grade 2. At the 10 am Mass.

Healing Service

The next Healing Services - Wednesday, January 21st, 2026, at 6:30 pm.

Young Adult Night – ages 18 to 35

Every first Saturday of the month at 6pm - Next meeting - Dec. 6 - Come out to our Baking Competition!



Knights of Columbus - 9295

Tom Covello and John Reguly of Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus present 24 new Children's winter coats to Sarah Polowski, a teacher with the Catholic school board, part of a committee coordinating the collection and distribution of clothing for children at the Boys and Girls Club.



Look for Corpus Christi Parish on Facebook to see what else the KC are doing in our community

CWL CRAFT & BAKE SALE

Saturday, November 29th - 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Sunday, November 30th - 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Any questions please call Jeannette Dann 807-472-9347

Baking or crafts can be dropped off on Friday, November 28th from 1pm to 4pm

Corpus Christi CWL

Please join us for our Christmas POTLUCK luncheon at our next CWL meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 3 at 1:00 pm, downstairs in the St. Joseph's meeting room. A short meeting to follow Mass at 12:15 pm.

Offertory Envelopes

2026 Offertory Envelope Boxes are available for pick up in the St. Anne's Chapel.

French Language Masses

The celebration of the Mass in French will take place with our Bishop Alan Campeau at **St. Patrick's Cathedral** on Thursday, December 24 at 12 noon.

Requesting Mass Intentions

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and meaningful part of our Catholic tradition. In our parish, we have many requests for scheduling such Mass intentions. We try to honor these to the best of our ability as space and time permit. If a Mass intention is required for a specific date, please contact the parish office a couple of months or more in advance to help us do our best to accommodate the request. To provide equality of access for others, beginning February 2026, parishioners who request multiple intentions per month are kindly asked to limit the number of Mass requests to 6 per month.

St. Andrew's Parish invites you to BRUNCH WITH ST. NICK on Sunday, December 14th from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Saunders Hall. The cost is \$20 per person and children under 10 years of age each for free. Brunch includes Finn pancakes, breakfast sausage, quiche, country home fries, hotdogs and dessert as well as activities for the children and a special visit from St. Nick. Proceeds from this fundraiser are in support of the church's Boiler Replacement Project. All are welcome.

Offertory Collection for November 23, 2025

Sunday Collection

\$2,557.00

Pre Authorized Donations for November

Sunday Collection \$5,466.67 Building & Maintenance 552.50 Christmas Flowers 275.00

Thank you for supporting your faith family!

Parish Finance Council

The Parish Finance Council offers support to the parish priest and parish community on issues related to Church finances, property, maintenance and improvements. If you or someone you know has expertise, availability and a passion for bettering our parish community, please reach out to the parish office or contact Fr. Terry to explore the opportunity of joining the Finance Council.

DEVELOPMENT and PEACE

D & P continues its effort to make us aware of the plight of those who live in countries that cannot get out of debt. We learned last year that some countries in the global south must borrow money to keep the country going. They cannot offer the people education, health, things we take for granted. International companies, including Canada, take the resources from the countries without paying for them, so there is nothing left for the countries to sell to pay off the debt. The countries pay extremely high interest on their loan but cannot bring down the principle, so more is borrowed, more interest is incurred and the circle continues. Development and Peace and partners are working to bring 60,000 petition signatures to the governments and the UN asking that the debts be forgiven, rules set up so that this cannot happen again and that international companies pay for the resources they are taking from the countries. Next weekend, Dec 6/7, when you arrive, the greeters will have the petition to sign IF YOU DID NOT ALREADY SIGN. As you leave, they will have a brochure with further information. If you want to learn more, please take one. Please remember to pray for our brothers and sisters in the global south who are not as fortunate as we are.

Bishops Diocesan Ministry Campaign 2025

"Set your mind on things that are above,"

Colossians 3;2

The 2025 campaign in support of ministries and programs throughout the diocese is now underway. Please consider making your contribution using the pledge forms sent by mail to parishioner's homes or, if you have no pledge form, to make use of the envelopes provided at the church entranceway pamphlet stations.

Thank you to all for your continued support.

Parish Goal: \$32,550.00 Raised to Date: \$18,865.00

Percentage to Date: 58.0%

Amount Still to Raise: \$13,685.00

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